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Russell C. Feller Feller Stone 1203 West Sunset Boulevard St. George, Utah 84770

Re:

Amended Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Cobblestone/Sandstone Project, S/053/023 (ML-47175), Washington County, Utah

Dear Mr. Feller:

We are in receipt of two copies of your application addressed to the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration (SITLA) for mining in the NW1/4 and N1/2 NE1/4 of Section 11, T43S, R16W. As this new section is immediately adjacent to the Cobblestone/Sandstone location, the new proposal would be amended to file S/053/023.

In contacting SITLA regarding this new proposal, we were informed that they have no record of you filing for a lease on section 11. Because your lease #ML-47175 for the Cobblestone/Sandstone location has been canceled, and as this new proposal would be an amendment to that file, we are unable to process this application at this time. We will suspend our review of this proposal until we have been informed by SITLA that the lease situation has been resolved, and you do have legal rightof-entry to mine at this location. We will forward one of the copies of this new proposal to SITLA for their records, along with a copy of this letter.

As you have been notified in previous correspondence, approval of an application by this Division does not constitute approval from other land managing agencies. Formal written approval from SITLA is required before commencing mining operations on state leased lands. Please contact John Blake at SITLA to resolve the lease issue and receive formal approval. We must have this written notification before we continue our review of this new proposal.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg Permit Supervisor

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John Blake, SITLA (ML-47175) w/copy of Notice S053023.amd